

Fiscal Note



Fiscal Services Division

SF 2316 – Flood Plain Management Policy (LSB 5352SV)

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Description

<u>Senate File 2316</u> requires local governments to comply with minimum flood plain regulations as outlined by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and makes other changes for flood plain regulation.

Background

House File 756 (FY 2009 Rebuild Iowa Watershed Act) required the Water Resources Coordinating Council to make policy and funding recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly to reduce the adverse impacts of future flooding events by promoting a watershed management approach. The report was submitted on November 6, 2009, and is available at the following website:

http://www.rio.iowa.gov/wrcc/assets/Final Subcommittee Flood Plain Recommendations.pdf.

Assumptions

Due to the increased number of flood plain applications, the DNR staff will need an additional Environmental Engineer with a salary and benefits cost of \$85,000. Support costs for this FTE position are estimated at \$15,000.

Fiscal Impact

Total cost to the DNR will increase by \$100,000 and 1.00 FTE. The Bill does not identify funding for the increased expenditures. No other agencies reported increased expenditures.

Sources

Department of Natural Resources lowa State Association of Counties

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